

News and Information from the North American Division

# **NEWSPOINTS**

September 5, 2019



# Schools all across the NAD are buying laptops, iPads, e-boards; participating in project-

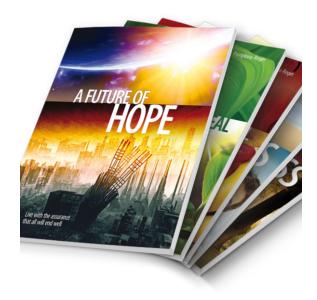
based learning; and sending teachers to STEM training — all to ensure students have the tools they need to not only work in today's economy, but to lead in it.

Where is the funding for much of this cutting edge technology coming from?

Versacare, Inc. MORE



# On Sept. 5, the Andrews University Press will release for sale the long-awaited New International Version (NIV) of the landmark Andrews Study Bible. In addition, nearly 700 new students at Andrews will receive a complimentary copy from the university, continuing a tradition that began in 2011, but now takes place for the first time with the NIV. MORE



Literature mission work in the NAD is changing lives. Read about some of the outreach being accomplished across the division in this inspiring report from Carl McRoy, new Literature Missions director — and be part of "preparing the harvest." MORE



In time for Creation Sabbath on Oct. 26, 2019, the updated creationsabbath.net website incorporates improvements designed to help users develop fun, effective, and lifechanging Creation Sabbath programs in their churches, communities, schools, hospitals and other institutions. MORE

### **ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS**

Adventist Church Works to Clarify its Stance on Abortion (Md.)

ADRA Readies to Assist Bahamas Islands Slammed by Hurricane Dorian

Adventist Siblings Win Religious Exemption for High School Tennis Tournament (Wash.)

<u>Gary Rustad Appointed President of Georgia-Cumberland Conference of Seventh-day Adventists (Ga.)</u>

8 Sleep Questions for Dr. Prashant James of Adventist Health (Ore.)

"It's a Very Giving Church:" Abney Chapel Adventist Church Celebrates 100 Years (N.C.)

Why AdventHealth's Rebrand Was More Than a Name Change

SWAU to Host Reversing Diabetes Program (Texas)

Southern Adventist University Invites Former Miss Tennessee to Community Service Emphasis Week (Tenn.)

Convicted Arsonist of Oildale Adventist Church to be Sentenced Tuesday (Calif.)

Throngs of People Enjoy Block Party at Hagerstown Church (Md.)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & RESOURCES**



**The NAD All-Night Prayer Call** is Sept. 5-6, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Eastern Time. NAD prayer leaders will serve as "prayer hosts" throughout the night. Let's give thanks; let's share needs; let's pray together! Call 404-891-6338; access code is Prayer# (772937#).



"Whole and Holy" is the theme of this year's NAD Women's Convention on Sept. 26-29 in Orlando, Fla. The emphasis will be on women's health and the connection between mental, physical, and spiritual health. This year, for the first time, the convention will include a track for high school girls. CLICK HERE for more info or to register. Hurry, registration ends today, Sept. 5!



ACS presents the Nonprofit Leadership
Certification Program, to be held Sept. 16-19. The
program is designed to equip pastors, church
administration and nonprofit leaders with strategies and
professional skills to successfully lead. NLCP focuses on
three major learning outcomes: leadership skills,
improvement of management knowledge, and changes
in attitude of social dimensions of evangelism. MORE



### **ALC's Principles of Retirement**

course emphasizes the importance of a prudent retirement plan for North American Division employees. Participants will experience the unique Adventist Retirement approach to prepare for a modest, sustainable standard of living in the retirement years by utilizing the NAD Retirement Plans. The course is primarily targeted at those who are within 10 years of retirement, although younger employees can discover valuable concepts for long-term financial wellness. EARN 0.5 CEUs.



The 4th annual Conscience & Justice Council (CJC) Convention tackles the theme of Faith,

Community and Justice. Speakers include Barry Black, U.S. Senate Chaplain; Raymond Santana, Central Park 5; Dedrick Blue, School of Theology, Oakwood University; Scott Ritsema, executive director, Belt of Truth Ministries; and Jo Ann Davidson, professor of Systematic Theology Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. Plan to join us in Atlanta, Ga., on Sept. 26-29. Additional information, including registration info, is available at <a href="https://www.cjcouncil.org">www.cjcouncil.org</a> or (800) 732-7587. Early Bird specials are available until Sept. 19.

CHILDREN'S SABBATH CURRICULUM IS HERE! Children's Sabbath (Oct. 5) resources are available now! Check out the free downloads for the "God's Amazing Grace" program, a lesson on God's unconditional love for all of us. Find posters, order of service ideas, optional activity suggestions, and even a letter for your pastor! For more information, visit NAD Children's Ministries' Children's Sabbath 2019 page.

Join the Society of Adventist Communicators in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on Oct. 17-19! If you missed this super early-bird registration, don't fret! You can still catch the early-bird special. Pay just \$375 when you register before Sept.30. Price goes up to \$400



on Sept. 30. Spouse rate is \$350. <u>Click here</u> to register/find out the special student rate; check out presenters <u>HERE</u>.



Traveling? Remember to take LifeTalk SHARING CARDS with you! With free Sharing Cards in your pocket or purse, you're always ready to share God's hope and love. Wherever you are, you can bring cheer to others by sharing that "You Matter to God"! See the NEW sharing card designs and order yours for FREE online at <a href="https://lifetalk.net/sharing-cards/">https://lifetalk.net/sharing-cards/</a>. LifeTalk Sharing Cards . . . don't leave home without them!

### **EVENTS CALENDAR**

# September

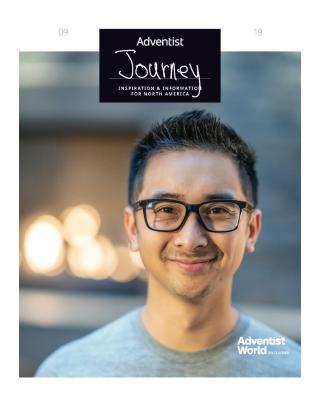
- 7 Men's Day of Prayer
- 7 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 8-14 <u>Nurture Periodicals (Adventist Review, Guide, Primary Treasure, Little Friend)</u>
- **8-14** Family Togetherness Week
- 14 <u>Family Togetherness Sabbath</u>
- 14 InStep Day
- 14 Offering: Local Church Budget
- **15-21** Let's Move Week/Health Education Week/Vibrant Life
- **15-21** Hispanic Heritage Week
- 21 Offering: Local Church Budget
- 22-26 <u>Deaf Christian Women's Ministry Annual</u>
  Retreat
- 28 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering: East-Central

September Focus:
Health

**Adventist Mission** 

Camp Meeting
Calendar

# **ADVENTIST JOURNEY**



**Feature:** "Listen, Get Involved, Make a Difference" by Kimberly Luste Maran, pp. 04-07

**NAD Update:** "Using Robots to Build Kids" by Kimberly Luste Maran, pp. 08-09

NAD News Briefs: pp. 10-11 - "La Sierra University Board of Trustees Selects New President;" "Harold W. Baptiste, Former NAD Secretary, Passes Away;" "Canadian Church Transforms Homes and Lives;" "Pacific Union Conference Hosts NAD Asian-Pacific Pastors' Convention;" "A New Sabbath School Experience"

**Perspective:** "Partners in Preparing the Harvest" by Carl McRoy, p. 13

This magazine is mailed to Adventists in North America; click <u>HERE</u> to download the PDF.

### **VIEWPOINTS**



**God Goes With You** 

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

- Deut. 31:6 (NIV)

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